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SUBJECT: PLO APPROACH TO EMBASSY

REF: JIDDA 8760

THE FOLLOWING POINTS WERE MADE BY PLO MEMBERS KHALED AL HASSAN AND HANI AL HASSAN DURING THEIR CALL ON SPECIAL COUNSELOR ISA SABBAGH ON DEC. 22:

A. PLO DID ACCEPT 242, ADDING RESERVATIONS, BUT WERE TURNED DOWN.

B. EMPHASIS ON SELF-DETERMINATION, INCLUDING THE PALESTINIANS IN OTHER COUNTRIES.

C. WHY DENY US RIGHT TO HAVE OUR OWN STATE, FLAG AND SO ON, "IF ONLY FOR FIVE MINUTES"?

AS TO ASSOCIATION WITH JORDAN, KHALED AL HASSAN SAID THAT COULD BE NEXT STEP. PALESTINE STATE AND JORDAN COULD VERY WELL BE LIKE LEBANON AND SYRIA UNDER THE FRENCH\*

D. WHAT HAPPENED TO PROPOSALS SENT TO THE DEPARTMENT BY PRINCE SAUD, DURING CROWN PRINCE FAHD'S VISIT?

"WE HAD SEVERAL ALTERNATIVES IN THOSE PROPOSALS."

E. DOES USG, DOES PRESIDENT CARTER, REALLY KNOW OUR THINKING? WE CERTAINLY DON'T KNOW HIS, SPECIFICALLY.

F. WOULD THE USG NOT BE MORE ENLIGHTENED ON THE  
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SUBJECT BY HEARING FROM US DIRECTLY? "BY US WE MEAN THE MAJORITY OF MODERATES" IN THE PLO.

G. NEITHER USG, NOR SADAT, NOR BEGIN WISHES TO SEE US OR TALK TO US. THIS IS NOT WISE. WHY DRIVE US TO DESPERATION?

H. ASSAD OF SYRIA IS STILL DREAMING OF GREATER SYRIA. PLO CLAIMS DR. KISSINGER ENCOURAGED ASSAD

INTO KEEPING THAT DREAM ALIVE\*

I. PLO MODERATES RESPECT PRESIDENT CARTER AND  
SECRETARY VANCE AND HAVE HOPES IN THEIR WISDOM.  
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